

6. PROMOTE QUALITY OF LIFE PROGRAMS FOR ALL CITIZENS

In its planning and development, Greenbelt offered better opportunities for its residents. Such aspirations must continue to guide programs that the city offers.



- ▶ Seniors
- ▶ Youth
- ▶ Others

7. ENHANCE AND FACILITATE CULTURAL, ARTISTIC AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING FOR ALL CITIZENS

The original planners of Greenbelt recognized that the arts and recreation are a vital part of a community's fabric and of value to its residents.

8. MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY

The city must exercise prudence with its resources which in one form or another come from taxpayers.

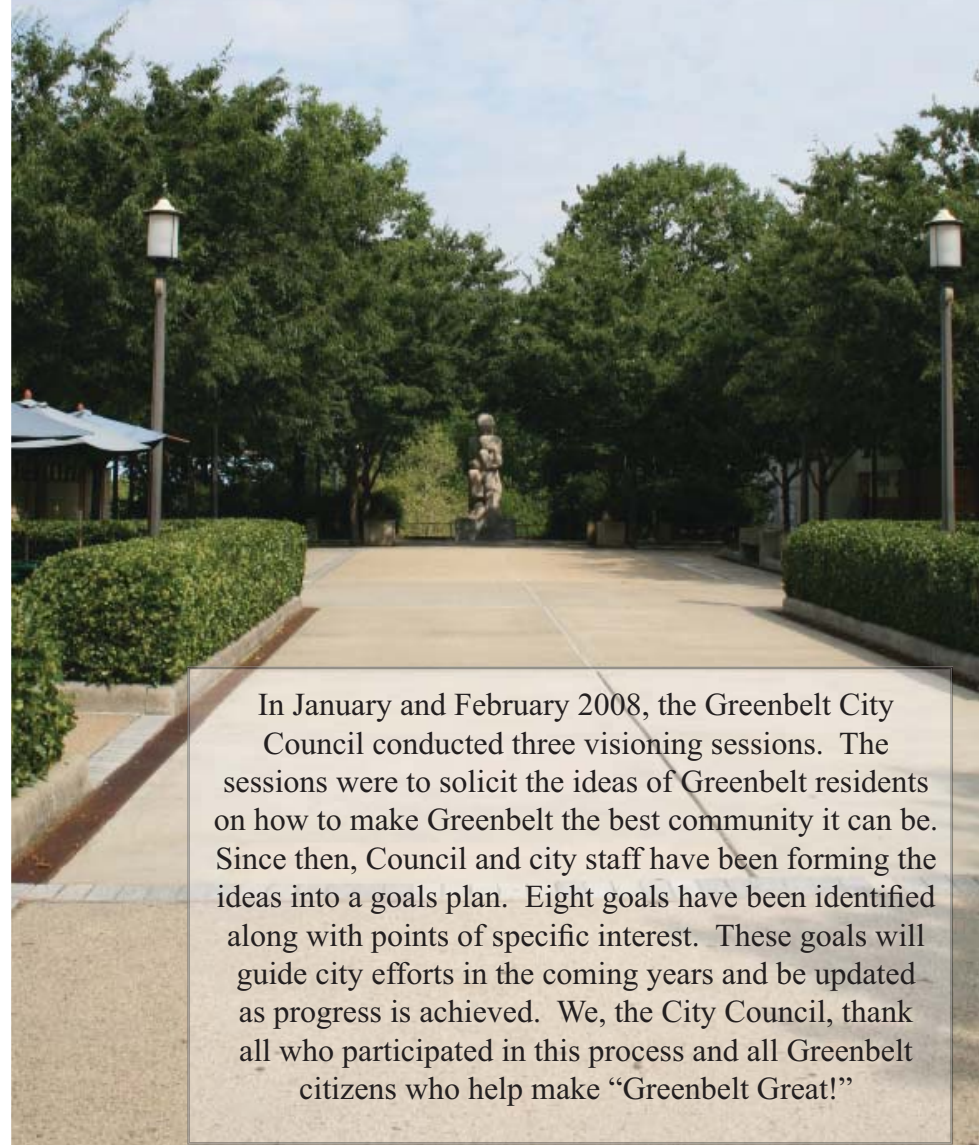
- ▶ Become more involved in the business community
- ▶ Provide high quality city services in a cost effective manner



GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL

VISIONING GOALS

2009-2012



In January and February 2008, the Greenbelt City Council conducted three visioning sessions. The sessions were to solicit the ideas of Greenbelt residents on how to make Greenbelt the best community it can be. Since then, Council and city staff have been forming the ideas into a goals plan. Eight goals have been identified along with points of specific interest. These goals will guide city efforts in the coming years and be updated as progress is achieved. We, the City Council, thank all who participated in this process and all Greenbelt citizens who help make "Greenbelt Great!"

1. ENHANCE SENSE OF COMMUNITY

Since its beginning in 1937, the Greenbelt community has benefited from a strong sense of community. The presence of an active and involved citizenry, citizen-owned cooperatives and the design of the community all contributed to a strong



sense of community that continues to exist today. It is important to nurture the sense of community for Greenbelt to remain a special place to live, work and play.

- ▶ Expand communication with residents
- ▶ Upgrade and coordinate signage identifying Greenbelt
- ▶ Establish a community welcome wagon program
- ▶ Explore costs and benefits of providing a city-wide WiFi network

2. IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION OPPORTUNITIES



Transportation within a community and easy accessibility to it is key to making a livable community.

- ▶ Maximize available transit resources to provide efficient services throughout the community
- ▶ Improve the pedestrian and bicycle experience throughout the community

3. MAINTAIN GREENBELT AS AN ENVIRONMENTALLY PROACTIVE COMMUNITY

We are all stewards of the environment. Greenbelt, as a community, must do its share to minimize its impact on the environment.

- ▶ Increase city's recycling rate to 55%
- ▶ Meet or exceed the Climate Change goals of the State of Maryland and the Council of Governments
- ▶ Expand the city's fleet of alternative vehicles to 10% of fleet (12) by 2012

4. IMPROVE AND ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY

A safe community makes for a place where people want to live, work, learn, and play!

- ▶ Engage public involvement through a regular outreach and crime watch program
- ▶ Make neighborhoods safer by calming traffic and enforcing appropriate motorist behavior
- ▶ Protect Greenbelt's legacy as a livable community through use of livability rules and regulations



5. PRESERVE AND ENHANCE GREENBELT'S LEGACY AS A PLANNED COMMUNITY

Greenbelt is an important part of this country's history and a model for community planning. It is vital that it continue to thrive for future generations.

- ▶ Protect and expand Greenbelt's green space
- ▶ Act to maximize Greenbelt's influence in the planning and development of the community
- ▶ Focus on Greenbelt remaining an affordable community
- ▶ Continue to tell the Greenbelt story.